

What is claimed is:

1. A traveling machine management system comprising:  
a terminal provided on a traveling machine; and  
a server connected to the terminal through a communication channel for managing the traveling machine, wherein a unique and fixed identifier is given to the terminal and wherein the server has means which acquires the identifier of the terminal and means which manages a communication period of the terminal based on the acquired identifier.

2. The traveling machine management system according to claim 1, wherein the server further has means which acquires resale/transfer information on the terminal when the terminal is resold or transferred within the communication period and means which rewrites information on the terminal accumulated in the server and/or the terminal based on the resale/transfer information.

3. The traveling machine management system according to claim 2, wherein the server even further has means which inquires whether information prior to the resale or transfer will be used when the resale/transfer information is acquired and means which acquires necessity information on whether the information prior to the resale or transfer will be used.

4. The traveling machine management system according to claim 3, wherein the means acquiring the necessity information discloses the information to a user of the terminal when it

acquires the necessity information indicating that information prior to the resale or transfer is needed and deletes the information prior to the resale or transfer accumulated in the server when it acquires the necessity information indicating that the information is not needed.

5. The traveling machine management system according to claim 1, wherein the server has means which notifies the terminal or a system possessed by the terminal user of the fact that a predetermined period prior to the expiration of the communication period has passed.

6. The traveling machine management system according to claim 1, wherein:

the terminal has means which acquires current position of the traveling machine carrying the terminal and

the server has means which acquires the current position information output by the terminal and means which outputs alarm information to the system possessed by the user of the terminal when the position information acquired within the communication period is out of a preset range.

7. The traveling machine management system according to claim 5, wherein:

the terminal has means which acquires current position of the traveling machine carrying the terminal and

the server has means which acquires the current position information output by the terminal and means which outputs alarm

information to the system possessed by the user of the terminal when the position information acquired within the communication period is out of a preset range.

8. The traveling machine management system according to claim 2, wherein the server has means which notifies the terminal or a system possessed by the terminal user of the fact that a predetermined period prior to the expiration of the communication period has passed.

9. The traveling machine management system according to claim 2, wherein:

the terminal has means which acquires current position of the traveling machine carrying the terminal and

the server has means which acquires the current position information output by the terminal and means which outputs alarm information to the system possessed by the user of the terminal when the position information acquired within the communication period is out of a preset range.

10. The traveling machine management system according to claim 3, wherein the server has means which notifies the terminal or a system possessed by the terminal user of the fact that a predetermined period prior to the expiration of the communication period has passed.

11. The traveling machine management system according to claim 3, wherein:

the terminal has means which acquires current position of the traveling machine carrying the terminal and

the server has means which acquires the current position information output by the terminal and means which outputs alarm information to the system possessed by the user of the terminal when the position information acquired within the communication period is out of a preset range.

12. The traveling machine management system according to claim 4, wherein the server has means which notifies the terminal or a system possessed by the terminal user of the fact that a predetermined period prior to the expiration of the communication period has passed.

13. The traveling machine management system according to any of claim 4, wherein:

the terminal has means which acquires current position of the traveling machine carrying the terminal and

the server has means which acquires the current position information output by the terminal and means which outputs alarm information to the system possessed by the user of the terminal when the position information acquired within the communication period is out of a preset range.